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Base Briefs Foggy Shores exercise tests Team V

RETIREMENT

Tech. Sgt. Claudette Butler-Smith, 30th Civil Engineer Squadron, retires at 10 a.m. today in the Warrior Room of the Pacific Coast Club.

LEGAL OFFICE CLOSES

The 30th Space Wing Judge Advocate office closes at 2 p.m. today. For emergencies, call 588-2822.

MAIN GATE CLOSURE

Santa Maria Gate and the visitor control center close from 6 a.m. Saturday to 5 a.m. Sunday to repaint California Boulevard. Utah Gate will be the alternate 24-hour entrance. During the closure, Lompoc Gate will be open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and will be the location of a temporary VCC, providing limited services. For more information, call 606-7662 or 605-0549.

BREAKERS CLOSURE

Breakers Dining Facility closes March 22 -24. Beachcomber Dining Facility will be the alternate location for meals. For more information, call 606-3219.

RETIREMENT

Chief Master Sgt. John Barrows, 30th Mission Support Group, retires at 10 a.m. March 25 at the PCC. A reception follows in the ballroom. Call 606-4230 for reservations by Thursday.

BEACHCOMBER CLOSURE

Beachcomber Dining Facility closes April 1 for six months. Breakers Dining Facility will be the alternate location for meals. For more information, call 606-3219.

14TH AIR FORCE BALL

The 14th Air Force holds its annual ball April 2 at the PCC. Gen. Lance Lord, Air Force Space Command commander, is set to speak. Tickets are available through unit representatives.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

The 30th SW/JA legal assistance hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S HISTORY

The base library requests photos for its Women's History Month display. "Our Women in the Military" will show the women at Vandenberg who serve or have served in the military and photos of wives of active-duty. The library would prefer photos of active-duty or former military women in their uniform, but this is not a requirement. The photos will be stapled to a bulletin board. Photos can be dropped off during library hours, or in the video drop slot. The photos will be returned in April if the name and contact information is written on the back of the photo.

■ Exercise, exercise! Team V kicked off the first Foggy Shores exercise of the year last week with a 5 a.m. recall Tuesday.

The 30th Space Wing conducted battlestaff and disaster control group operations in order to test and prepare for real-world emergencies.

With exercise information coming in about possible threats of weapons of mass destruction or hijacked aircraft,

Vandenberg increased its security to an off-base aircraft crash and a radiological exercise force protection condition BRAVO, CHARLIE and eventually DELTA for scenarios that occurred over the twoday exercise.

"The civil engineer squadron

The main scenarios of the exercise were

release with mass casualties.

"In each case, affected agencies and and skills to the test," said Maj. Christopher Drap, 30th Space Wing

"Team Vandenberg responded well, and

many agencies working together to solve the situation.

The 30th Medical Group's bioenvironmental team, along with CES and the 30th Security Forces Squadron were on scene and coordinated with other onand off-base agencies on the radiological release scenario.

"The importance of exercising is that we learn how to integrate our capabilities smoothly with other agencies," said Staff Sgt. Ryan Fictum, 30th MDG. "We learn how to work with each other's distinct responsibilities

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055 scores big in

By Maj. LINDA NORWOOD Staff writer

■ The 30th Operations Support Squadron is flying high after cleaning up in the 2004 Air Force Space Command competitions against all operations support squadrons in the command.

This was no small accomplishment considering the unique and diverse makeup of the 30th OSS. While most of the competition focuses primarily on training, the 30th OSS focuses on seven mission areas.

"Because of our diversity, we had to come together for this," said Maj. Robin Athey, director of operations. "We had to bring all the people together and we proved we could do it.

The 30th OSS mission areas include training, space and air operations, guardian programs, fabrication, intelligence, battle staff, and weapons and tactics.

"Responsibility for airfield and runways is not traditional for OSS," said Major Athey "We proved we are the best in all these areas. Our people are real performers.'

The selection process involves writing up the squadron's accomplishments and submitting the package to a 14th Air Force selection board. The board then makes its recommendations to

For 2004, the 30th OSS won the coveted Chief Master Sergeant Edward W. Weaver award. This award is presented annually to recognize the best overall space operations support squadron in AFSPC. Chief Weaver was the senior enlisted advisor for the first space wing and was instrumental in establishing AFSPC. This award recognizes the operations support squadron that made the most significant contributions in support of the space mission. All operations support squadrons within the space mission are eligible for this award. The 30th OSS also won the 2004 AFSPC Airfield Management Facility of the Year award. The 30th OSS has won this award for five of the past six years.

Capt. Kory Khoury won the 2004 14th Air Force Category II Space Instructor of the Year award. This award recognizes the outstanding performance of the instructor or evaluator making the most significant contributions to the AFSPC space mission.

"Our enlisted and civilian personnel also received

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By 2nd Lt. Angela Webb

performed more than 30 in-house scenarios in addition to the base-wide inputs," said Capt. Sarah Mandes, 30th CES. "Performances were excellent across the board, from command and control to each Airman performing the tasks."

people had the chance to put their training inspector general.

is fine tuning procedures as a result of the exercise," Major Drap said.

Responding to a contingency involves

PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BARRY LOO

Hawkman hangs his head upon hearing the news that Guardian Challenge will not happen in 2005.

Guardian Challenge cancelled

By SENIOR AIRMAN BRYAN FRANKS

■ Killing the 45th Space Wing's shark is going to have to wait until next year due to cancellation of It is an event in which space and Guardian Challenge, the Air Force's

space and missile competition. Gen. Lance Lord, Air Force Space Command commander canceled Guardian Challenge March 4 to save money and because many AFSPC personnel are supporting real-world deployments.

"While Guardian Challenge provides a great opportunity to test our readiness and warfighting capabilities, the nation's space and

missile warfighters are fully tasked," General Lord said.

gathering of Guardian Challenge. missile crews from all of AFSPC compete within in their job specialties for the right to be known as the "best of the best."

The primary goal of AFSPC's annual "Top Gun" competition is to make better warfighters of the command's Airmen, said Col. John Stocker, Guardian Challenge competition commander.

The intense training that precedes the event at each participating base results in many

lessons learned.

"We discover new tactics, This would have been the 38th techniques and procedures every year at Guardian Challenge, and it's a huge motivational event for our people. However, given today's fiscal and operational environment, our focus is on ensuring we meet our day-to-day missions in providing combat capabilities and efforts to the joint warfighters. Canceling this year's competition is the right thing to do," General Lord said.

> This will mark the third time the competition has been canceled. It was canceled once in 1968 for the Vietnam War and again in 2003

when many Airmen were deployed for the war on terror.

"We were prepared to fry the fish and claim the Schriever Trophy as the best spacelift wing in the nation but we'll give them a reprieve until next year," said Col. Frank Gallegos, 30th Space Wing commander, referring to the 45th Space Wing's shark mascot. The 45th Space Wing at Patrick AFB in Florida is the Air Force's other launch wing, and a fierce rivalry exists between the two bases during competion.

AFSPC officials will review the possibility of future competitions at a later date.

Basketball wizardry

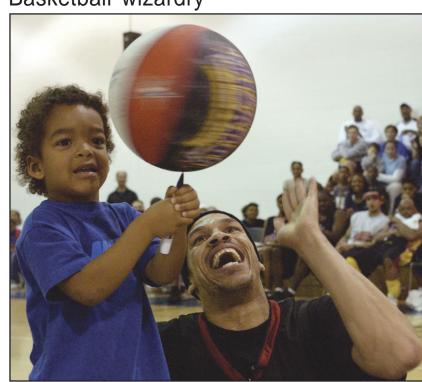


PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BARRY LOO

Jason Creswell, 3, props up a basketball as James "Speedy" Williams of the Harlem Wizards spins it for him during a basketball show performed at the fitness center Tuesday. The event was free for families of deployed Airmen.

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Dorms get makeover by Airmen, for Airmen

By Airman 1st Class STEPHEN CADETTE Editor

■ The modular dormitories on base were outfitted with new furniture in the dayrooms this week and last, after the furniture was picked by residents during a dormitory council meeting.

'The dorm residents selected their choice out of three styles of dayroom furniture during a dorm council meeting in the summer of 2004," said Tech. Sgt. Aaron Harrison, 30th Mission Support Group.

The refurnishing project was the enactment of Air Force policy that requires the periodic replacement of furniture in Airmen's living

"To maintain quality of life for our Airmen, as per AFI, we switch furniture out every seven years," said Staff Sgt. Michele Higdon, 30th Mission Support Group.

"The solid cherry wood furniture, which consists of a new couch, table, end table, rocking chair, television cabinet and rocking chair, was selected for its durability and value," Sergeant Higdon said.

In order to pay for the high quality furniture, the wing pitched in.

"The wing helped us out with the funding," Sergeant Harrison said. "The MSS had only so much money to put towards the new furniture, so the command came up with the rest."

"The command here knows that the quality of life for these Airmen is affected by the dorm areas," Sergeant Harrison said.

The brown brick dorms will also be refurnished later this year, said Danny Deane, contracting manager for Furniture by Thurston.

The brown brick residents will have the

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Weekend forecast Early fog Saturday and low clouds Sunday





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The modular dormitories received new funiture this week and last.

FURNITURE

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council meeting to be held in April, Sergeant Harrison dormitory is set to be completed June 30. said. The Airmen will view three sample rooms, and the most popular design will be used to refurnish the rooms, oak sink area," Sergeant Harrison said. "The furniture said the dorm manager.

Each of the sample rooms models a different bed style, Sergeant Higdon said. For example, since some that hopefully the residents will take care of it." dormitory residents have mentioned a lack of floor space,

Some of the furniture in the sample rooms is the same style that will be used in the Titan dormitory, opportunity to pick their favorite setup during a dorm which is currently under construction. Titan

> The contractors that built Titan purchased an that will be put in will match."

"It's nice furniture," he said. "My only concern is

Airmen are welcome to attend Top Life Dorm one bedroom setup will eliminate the need for a dresser. Council meetings where decisions are made that "One of the rooms will have a captain's bed," Sergeant affect the dormitory area. The next TLDC meeting is Higdon said. "Underneath the bed are drawers for set for 3 p.m. March 25 in the Peacekeeper dayroom.

Destinations Central Coast WANTS YOU!

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OSS

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numerous individual awards," said Major Athey.

Master Sgt. Daniel Ricker won the 2004 Air Force Category III-A Unit Level Education and Training Manager of the Year award. His responsibilities include providing

ancillary training for the entire wing. Staff Sgt. Kitsie Ferguson won the AFSPC Airfield Management Airman of the Year award, the 30th OSS Airman of the Year award, and the 2004 Airman Leadership School award for finishing first in her class.

Mr. Dell Barritt won the 2004 Air Force Association Number 1 Civilian of the Year Award at the local, state and national levels. Mr. Joaquin Tinker won the 2004 Civilian Category II award and Ms. Dayna Castro won the 2004 Outstanding Performer award.

"We are waiting on the local Goddard Chapter of the Air Force Association awards," said Major Athey. "We are also undefeated in ultimate frizbee in warfit!"

SHORES

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and expertise for the completion of the mission." Team V spent almost 30 hours practicing contingencies during the two-day exercise and declared endex at 4:47 p.m. March 2.

"The March 2005 Foggy Shores was a success," Major Drap said. "We took this opportunity to exercise and evaluate a variety of base functions; from implementation of FPCON measures to responding to an off-base aircraft crash."

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Thanks for giving it your all

By Col. Frank Gallegos

30th Space Wing commander

ike many of you, I was disappointed when I heard that Guardian Challenge was cancelled Guardian Challenge was cancelled for 2005. We had a superb planning team

Unleash La uman talent in place and a team of top-notch professionals selected to represent the base in the competition. I have no doubt we would have accomplished all of our goals, from hosting the best Guardian Challenge to date to winning the Schriever Trophy as the nation's top spacelift wing. And it would have been fun.

But, I can also tell you that it was the right decision and not one that was made lightly. Guardian Challenge is not just a competition, but it is a tool to improve the

operational readiness capabilities of our wings. With space now being central to everything we do, we have very important missions across the command and this competition helps keep us sharp to accomplish those missions. But, that had to be weighed against the operational tempo, overseas commitments and fiscal constraints in today's environment. After looking closely at all those factors, the decision was made in the interest of the Air Force and our nation.

Here at Vandenberg alone, we have more than 200 Airmen deployed with another AEF cycle right around the corner that will likely push us over 500 Airmen deployed during the year. Our folks both here and

30th Space Wing vectors

extremely important missions at their home stations while part of their team is deployed forward. In this environment with the ops tempo high and the budget tight, we will likely 4 irmen have to make other tough decisions in the months ahead to ensure we have the resources we need to get the job VV ing mission nowledge to command the future

To the team who was selected to represent Vandenberg in this competition...congratulations.

across the command are already

tasked to the limit supporting

Don't let this take away from what you've accomplished. It is a real honor just to be selected and you should be proud of the confidence

placed in you by your supervisors and commanders. You were selected because they understood you are the best of the best and I have no doubt you would have done us proud.

To those who were involved in the planning...thank you. It was a Herculean task but you were doing amazing work. I saw how hard you were working and the enthusiasm you brought to the effort and greatly appreciate it.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm going to go and seek out Hawkman to console him. He was looking forward to going shark hunting in May and isn't taking the news well. I'll have to tell him that the sharks get a reprieve until next year. Go HAWKS!

Everything in life is all about choice

S afety

By Master Sgt. Virginia Schreitmueller

Mathies Airman Leadership School have an idea for a combat program that could be adopted across the full Air Force spectrum. I call it, "combat choice," because everything you or I do is about choices.

We choose to do the right things or the wrong things. We choose how to spend our time, what our attitude will be, and what level of effort we put forth on and off duty.

Of course, choice not only is a verb, it is an acronym: community, home, operations, integrity, commitment and excellence. I choose to be part of my community. I watch my neighbor's infant while my neighbor goes to work, or I volunteer to round up the neighborhood children for an outing to the movies. I do it because I live in a community, not a military housing area.

The local village is not just a place I drive through en route to work. It is where I buy fresh bread and vegetables, a place where I "hang out" at the pub with friends, and a place where I know the first name of the chap working at the railroad station crossing.

I choose to call wherever the Air Force sends me, "home." I choose to be part of the operations. I get tasked, and I get asked. I get told, and I volunteer.

The mission doesn't happen based on my likes and dislikes. It happens because I choose to ensure whatever needs to be done gets done, and I do it without whining or making excuses.

I choose to make integrity the motivation behind all I do. I understand deception is just a lie with more syllables. When I say or do something, it reflects on me, my family, my job

and my Air Force. I won't compromise any of those things, ever. I choose to make a commitment to all those aspects in my community, my home, my mission.

I realize, even when I am tired, my responsibilities don't go on hold. I do my best to balance my family, friends and work.

It really is all about choosing to do the right things all the time. It is about taking ownership of where I live, how I live, my actions and reactions, every time, everywhere, in all I do.

Everything in life comes with choices. No one should have to tell you not to drink and drive, to get a haircut, to pick up a piece of trash in the parking lot, to help a neighbor, to get involved, to put in "overtime" to get the job done, or simply to do the right thing.

My Air Force expects it to come naturally. ACT streamlines ORM for busy people

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y performing Vandenberg's mission safely and effectively, Team V provides proof of its commitment to do the right thing.

Two-way communication is paramount to continued mission success. The 30th Space Wing Commander's Action Line is your direct link to me.

Through the action line you can congratulate your teammates on a job well done, affect change and express productive points of view.

I want your input and I am personally involved in every response.

The action line is always available and it's an excellent tool, but remember to use your chain of command. Talk to your supervisors, first sergeants, services officials and other base professionals and give them a chance to solve your problem first.

Working together, we will enrich the 30th SW mission performance and the quality of life of our Airmen.

When calling the action line, leave your name and phone number in case more information is needed.

2: I live in East housing. About every third house is vacant, and this makes for a very wonderful and quiet neighborhood. There is one problem however - dogs.



Col. Frank Gallegos commander

People are letting their dogs bark in back yards for what seems like hours on end. On some nights it literally sounds like a kennel. This nuisance destroys the tranquility of a very peaceful area. Can something be done about this problem? Thank you.

A: Thank you for your query. I would suggest you nicely let your neighbors know the pets are barking when they are away or at night and that it is disturbing you. Hopefully, that solves the problem. If you get no satisfaction by talking with them, call the security forces law enforcement desk and report the barking. The 30th SFS have a process in place where they issue a notice indicating failure to control the pet. Repeat offenders may be required to permanently remove their pets from base housing. It is important for us to be good citizens and leaving a dog outside to bark and disturb the neighbors is certainly not doing that. Information on controlling pets is contained in the housing brochure and in 30 SWI 31-107.

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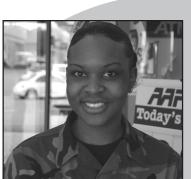
Point of View "What is your goal in the Air Force?"



"To get a higher education." - Senior **Airman Princess** Llovd. 30th Mission **Support Squadron**

"To be an influential mentor to Airmen and the people I work with" – 2nd Lt. Nicole Mikkelsen, 30th Contracting Squadron





"To make a difference." – Airman 1st Class Paris **Bush, 30th Mission Support Squadron**

"To be Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force." - Senior Airman **Crystal Trbovich, 381st Training Group**



By Maj. Jason Wollard 30th Space Wing Safety Office

any of you know me through my primary duty as the 30th Space Wing flight safety officer, where my job is to keep the airfield and airspace around Vandenberg safe for aviation

and missile operations. What I am slightly less known for, and in some quarters maybe even notorious, would be my advocacy of Operational Risk Management as a time-

tested methodology to enhance operational effectiveness while simultaneously reducing losses. By now, all of us have had the obligatory Fundamentals of ORM training, and for most of

us, this was the first introduction to ORM as a riskreduction, resource-maximizing concept. As you may recall, the six-step ORM method is:

- 1. Identify the Hazards 2. Assess the Risk
- 3. Analyze Risk Control Measures
- 4. Make Control Decisions
- 5. Implement Risk Controls

Job: General dentist

6. Supervise and Review ORM is intended for detailed

analyses of complex, strategic processes where significant time and resources are available to be dedicated to the analysis effort and it does an excellent job at that.

However, analyzing a process using formal ORM is slow and deliberative, and it does not lend itself readily to the "tactical" or "operational" situations that most of us face on a daily basis.

This is especially true for off-duty activities, where, aside from combat operations, the Air Force community suffers the greatest loss rates of personnel and dependents.

Clearly, the need for ORM outside of the workplace is

great, but what to do about such a process that is usually too cumbersome to use at home?

This is where "Streamlined ORM" comes into play, along with a new acronym as well. This simplified process has its own easy-to-remember three-

letter acronym: A-C-T.

1. Analyze

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environment for risk. Be aware of your surroundings, duties, and tasks, both on an off duty. Analyze what could go

wrong, and ask yourself what are the chances of something bad happening?

2. **Consider** options to limit risk. What can you do about something? Is it worth the risk

3. **Take** appropriate action. Implement your risk controlling measures and occasionally review what happens to ensure that the risk is indeed controlled. Then spread the word around to your friends, coworkers, and family members about your success!

This simplified ORM process helps each of us integrate ORM into both our on-duty and offduty activities. While the threestep ACT process does not replace a formal six-step ORM analysis, it works great for those times when you don't have the resources (time, money, effort) to follow the prescribed Air Force ORM process. ORM is all about maximizing effectiveness and minimizing losses, on and off duty. It's much better to perform an abbreviated ORM on a situation or process than none at all. Remember, the "S" in HAWKS stands for "Safety." So take care of yourself, your wingman, and go HAWKS!

Team Vandenberg Warrior of the Week Capt. Sheva Nickravesh

30th Medical Operations Squadron

Hometown: San Francisco, Calif. Time in service: Commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in November 2000. Began active duty in June 2003 Time on Vandenberg: 1.5 years

How do you contribute to the wing mission? By having active duty members dentally fit to fight What do you like best about the Air Force? Camaraderie

If you could change one thing about the Air Force, what would it be? Time efficiency, the hurry up and wait thing – I would it rather be hurry up and hurry up.

How do you fulfill the AF core values? Always uphold integrity. Put service before self. Honesty is the best policy.

Most exciting experience so far in the AF? Practicing carrying and loading patients onto litters and transferring them to a helicopter on Major Accident Response Exercise

How would you improve life here at Vandenberg? I think life is good here at Vandenberg. I like the outdoor base activities. Vandenberg's a healthy environment and place to be.

Role model: Lt. Col. Gary Piorkowski, my supervisor. Since the first day I came to the Vandenberg Dental Clinic he has made an exemplary effort to be an outstanding mentor both as an officer and a general dentist. I've learned a lot from him and I believe I'm a better officer and dentist because of it.

Favorite leader in history: Harriet Tubman – she really stood up for a cause that she believed in and she risked her life for the well being and freedom of others.

Favorite movie: Shrek Hobbies: I love hiking, camping, swimming, and spending time with my family and friends.



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Six Team V Airmen Women in uniform receive Articles 15

By AIRMAN JENNY BLACKBURN

30th Space Wing Judge Advocate ■ Six Vandenberg Airmen received punishment in January and February, under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Their crimes and punishments are as follows:

An Airman from the 30th Medical Operations Squadron violated Article 112a of the UCMJ, for wrongful use of marijuana. The Airman First Class received a reduction in rank to Airman, 30 days restriction to base, and 30 days extra duty.

A sergeant stationed here violated Articles 80, 92, and 134 of the UCMJ for attempted indecent assault, dereliction of duty, indecent assault, and indecent language. The senior master sergeant received a reduction in rank to master sergeant and a reprimand.

An Airman from the 30th Security Forces Squadron violated Article 134 of the UCMJ, by wrongfully allowing active duty members of the

United States Air Force and dependents to smoke marijuana at the member's on base residence. The senior airman received a reduction in rank to Airman First Class, 30 days restriction to base, and 15 days extra duty.

An Airman from the 30th SFS violated Article 113 of the UCMJ, for sleeping on post. The Airman received a reduction in rank to airman basic, forfeiture of \$1234 pay and 30 days restriction to

An Airman from the 30th Civil Engineer Squadron violated Articles 92 and 134 of the UCMJ. for failure to obey a lawful order and unlawful entry. The Airman received forfeiture of \$250 pay and 30 days restriction to base.

An Airman from the 30th Comptroller Squadron violated Article 112a of the UCMJ, for wrongful use of marijuana. The Airman received a reduction in rank to airman basic, 24 days restriction to base, and a reprimand.

By Senior Airman Joseph Gills

30th Security Forces Squadron

Mar. 1 Do you think they'll

remember me? – 9:40 a.m. A U.S. Protect guard reported a hit and run at Solvang gate. A responding patrolman said that a government truck hit the gate swing arm, causing it to hit the gate shack. The driver of the truck did not stop. The vehicle was stopped when he tried to re-enter Solvang gate. An accident report was filed.

Mar. 3

It should be safe right here -8:41 a.m. An Airman reported a suspicious item at

the command post. Responding patrolmen secured the building. They found a black briefcase against the wall. Explosive ordinance disposal declared the item an empty briefcase.

Dazed and confused -

7:23 p.m. A patrolman noticed a suspicious person pushing a bike on Point Sal Road. He stopped the individual. The man said his tire blew out and

he walked to the road, thinking it was the highway. Patrolman escorted the bike rider off the installation.

Mar. 5

Dangerous

liaisons -

2:25 a.m. An Airman reported damage to government property in the dormitories. A patrolman talked with the Airman who said another Airman kicked the window until it shattered. The Airman

believed the window was kicked in because he had another girl in his room. Patrolmen are investigating the incident.

Peace pipe – 1:21 p.m. An Airman reported she found drug paraphernalia in her yard in base housing. A patrolman searched the area and found a pipe used for smoking marijuana. Security forces is investigating the incident.

What plants are in your garden? - 3:55 p.m. An Airman reported a pipe and a

small amount of a green leafy substance at the visitor control center. A patrolman searched the area and found the pipe and substance in the flower garden. Security forces is investigating the incident.

Mar. 6

Losers weepers – 12:15 **a.m.** The same Airman that reported a pipe in her yard reported a suspicious vehicle. She told patrolman that a car has been driving by her house slowly for twenty minutes. She said she believed it was the people who left the pipe. The vehicle and owner were found and there was no threat to the Airman.

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman

Alaskan Command Public Affairs **ACROSS**

1. Teen hangout

5. Head cover

8. Pass on 12. Thought

13. Rule of law

15. Span 16. First woman to receive Air

Medal; Air Evac nurse

17. Mythological Greek monster

18. Wallet stuffers 19. First woman promoted to

Brig Gen; WAC Director

22. Nap

25. Handy

28. Pod vegetable

29. Airport safety org.

32. Hurt

34. Father

35. Picnic pest

36. Olympic org.

37. Entertainment org. for

38. Wks lead to these 39. First director of WASPs

41. Grazed

44. Finding

45. Lout

48. First woman to receive Purple Heart

50. Service trees; rowans

53. Japanese sash

54. Explosive combo 55. USAF base entry needs

57. To be

58. Grant's opposite

59. *Shrek* was one 61. Royalty title

63. Awful

65. Lever

69. Type of stereo equip.

72. First Director of WAF 73. Highest ranking woman in

USAF

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9. Highest ranking woman in USA

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56. Student workplaces 60. Jewels

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30 and 300 MHz

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Last Week's Answers

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Team V Youth Warrior of the Week Theron Bell

Sophomore, Cabrillo High School

Where were you born? Tampa, Fla. How long have you lived here? 8 months What is your favorite extracurricular

activity? Playing video

games

If you could change one thing about your school what would it be? I would replace the old lockers with new ones because the old ones are very hard to open and close.

What is your most exciting experience? Visiting the Grand Canyon - the views were spectacular.

Who is your role model? My father. because of his leadership and integrity

What career do you want to pursue? want to be an officer in the Air Force because of the ability to move around and see the world.

What is your favorite **book?** "Harry Potter and the the Goblet of Fire" because of the great

action and suspense What is your favorite movie? "Fast and the Furious" because of my love for cars and racing Where is your favorite place to hang out? On



PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS MATTHEW REED Theron Bell, Cabrillo High School sophomore, is the son of Maj. James Bell, 30th Comptroller Squadron.

the many trails of Vandenberg for the thrill and adventure of mountain biking

Who is favorite leader in history? Martin Luther King, Jr.

VMS students take reading challenge

By 2nd Lt. Angela Webb Staff writer

he sun did not shine. It was too wet to play. So we sat in the house, all that cold, cold, wet day."

The purpose of this Dr. Seuss story quote has less to do with all the rain Team V has gotten lately, and more to celebrate the National Education Association's Read Across America Week February 28 through March 4. The NEA began the program to celebrate the children's book author Dr. Seuss. His birthday, March 2, occurs during the event.

Vandenberg Middle School took the reading challenge presented by school library technician Susan Dunlop.

"This was a significant event to encourage kids to read," Ms. Dunlop said.

Ms. Dunlop read the first few paragraphs of a book every morning during the celebration week over the school announcement system. Then the students wrote down the titles of

the books that were read aloud and handed their answers in at the end of the week.

"After I read the beginning of one of the books, three kids came in at lunchtime to check it out," Dunlop said. "They came in so excited and told me, 'I know what you read this morning."

Nine students won out of more than 200 students who entered. Ms. Dunlop gave each winner a bag full of reader goods that included bookmarks, pens and other items.

Three students each from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades were chosen who had all five correct titles. Sixth grade winners were Tyler

Camarena, Carlos Santiago, and Taylor Fuller. Seventh grade winners were Amanda Kimbrough-Toran, Ethan Pike and Mike Heath. Eighth grade winners were Franklin Brown, Jordan Wilson and Erica Preciado.

Many of the students had read the books that Ms. Dunlop had started. The books that she read for the contest were "The

Nine students from Vandenberg Middle School won a guess-the-title contest presented by the librarian to promote reading during Read Across America Week.

Hobbitt," "The Giver," "The Bad Beginning," "Ella Enchanted," and "Because of Winn-Dixie." All the books chosen were at the sixth grade reading level and many of

selection. The National Education Association promotes reading everyday. For more information go to www.nea.org/readacross/

the children had read the entire index.html. Vandenberg Leaders of Tomorrow

Youth Briefs

DROP IN CARE

The youth center offers drop in care for \$3.50 per hour, Paper work must be filled out in advance

OPEN RECREATION

Youth 10 to 18 years old can purchase a yearly membership to participate in fun and educational activities with their friends, for \$40 per year.

CABRILLO HIGH SCHOOL

The Dr. John C. Trettin fifth annual 5k run/walk starts at 9 a.m. March 26 at the CHS track. Registration starts at 8 a.m.

BASEBALL REGISTRATION Register at the youth center by July 31. Children must be ages 5 through 12. Prices range from \$35. to \$50, depending on age.

YOUTH WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

Do you know of a young Team V member 18 years or younger who stands out among his or her peers through outstanding performance academics, sports or community involvement? If you would like to see them recognized for their achievement you can nominate them for Team V Youth Warrior of the Week. All submissions will be accepted. Send submissions to SMT@vandenberg.af.mil.

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On deployment



Airman 1st Class Sean Crichton, 379th **Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron.** inserts plates inside a body armor vest. Airman Crichton is deployed from the 30th Logistics Readiness Squadon.

Medics educate during safety awareness week

By Airman Ross Tweten 5th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

■ Health-care workers around the country mark the beginning of National Patient Safety Awareness Week Sunday.

Air Force medics are using the week, which runs through Saturday, to let the patients know how much is being done to make sure they are safe and what they can do to become more involved in their health care, said Ellen Kasha, a 5th Medical Group patient safety programs assistant here.

The week centers on educating patients on how to become involved in their health care to prevent medical errors, as well as working with treatment facilities to build partnerships with their patient community.

"The easiest way to get involved in your own health care is to ask as many questions as

possible," said David Lindee, 5th MDG quality services chief. "Physicians, as well as clinic nurses and the pharmacy, are great places to direct questions about your health care.'

Patients can work with their doctors and participate in all decisions about their treatment.

"Patients should not be afraid to ask questions," Ms. Kasha said. "If you have concerns, speak up. The more information patients have about their health care, the better decisions they can make about what is best for them."

As part of their health care, patients are also encouraged to know what type and how much medication they are required to take, Mr. Lindee said.

"Also, make sure you let your doctor know about any over-thecounter medications you take, including vitamins and herbal supplements," he said.

Keeping records about your medical history and sharing up-todate details with your medical team are good ways to prevent errors in Around the Air Force families. Families living in those

your health care, Mr. Lindee said.

"Your medical history includes any medical conditions and illnesses, immunizations, allergies, reactions and sensitivities, hospitalizations, medications and dietary supplements, and any other doctors treating you," he said.

To continue providing patients with quality care, Airmen have several avenues for customer feedback.

"Continuous input from patients and their families help us gain a better understanding of what is needed to be effective for our health-care system," Mr. Lindee said. "The single most important way you can prevent errors in your health care is to be an active member in your health-care team."

For more information, people can contact their local medical facilities.

Air Force reaches privatization milestone

By STAFF SGT. C. TODD LOPEZ Air Force Print News

■ The Air Force recently surpassed the 10,000-home milestone in its military family housing privatization program.

In February, Air Force officials closed a deal privatizing more than 1,300 homes at Hickam AFB, Hawaii. This means the Air Force now has more than 10,900 privatized homes.

The privatization deal at Hickam is the 13th the Air Force has entered into. Air Force officials closed their first military family housing privatization deal at Lackland AFB, Texas, in August 1998. About 420 homes at the base were privatized. Today, those homes have a 96.6 percent occupancy rate.

Following Lackland, deals closed at Robins AFB, Ga.; Dyess AFB. Texas: and Elmendorf AFB. Alaska. Today, construction at all four of the bases is complete, creating more than 2,300 new or renovated homes for Air Force homes appear to like where they live, said Col. Bob Griffin, Air Force housing division chief.

"We survey our customers on a quarterly basis," he said. "For Lackland, Robins, Dyess and Elmendorf, we see very good customer satisfaction. Not in just the housing, but in the responsiveness of the developer,"

Over the next four years, through use of local community housing, privatization and traditional military construction, service officials plan to reduce the Air Force's worldwide housing inventory of more than 107,000 to about 86,000, with about 60,000 in the United States. Officials expect nearly three-quarters of stateside homes will be privatized, Colonel

Before the Air Force privatizes any housing, it first calculates needs based on mission requirements and manning projections, the colonel said.

"By the end of 2009, we expect to privatize 72 percent, or about 45,500 of our U.S. based housing inventory," he said.

Privatization means the Air Force allows private developers to take ownership of military family housing on installations. While the Air Force will still own the land, the developers will own the homes, maintain and upgrade them. Funding to pay developer costs are provided by collecting rent from the housing occupants.

Today, about 59,000 homes worldwide are deemed "inadequate" by Air Force standards. An "inadequate" home is generally defined as a home that fails to meet Air Force size, condition and functionality criteria. Air Force officials plan to bring those homes up to standard through the privatization process.

"Privatization will allow us to leverage dollars we have in the program in order to provide more quality housing faster," he said. "If we were trying to fix our inventory through traditional

military construction and maintenance, we would need about \$5.6 billion to achieve our goals."

Developers who enter into a privatization deal agree to bring homes up to Air Force standards through new construction or renovations within a very short development period. While each deal is unique, across the program the developers have provided \$9 for every Air Force dollar spent providing Airmen with newer, better homes, Colonel Griffin said.

"When we talk to the privatization developer, we tell (him or her) what we would tear down, what we would renovate and also how many new houses we need to build," he said. "We price out what it would cost to do that if the government was going to build it."

When developers submit proposals on the project, they let Air Force officials know what upgrades will cost. Usually, the contractor offers more than what the Air Force is asking for, but at a lower price.

"The developers who get these deals are meeting our requirements, within financing parameters, and exceeding them by bringing in desired features and enhancements," he said.

Some of those enhancements include new homes versus renovations, lawn care at no charge to the resident, community centers, swimming pools, basketball courts, walking trails and parks.

"These are additional features like you would see off base but aren't always provided to people on a military base," Colonel Griffin said. "When a privatization developer comes in, (he or she brings) the whole thing. (Developers) provide the house we ask for, or more, and also add in more things because they are trying to build a community and get people to move in."

Airmen who choose to live on

base in privatized homes will collect basic allowance for housing, the same as those who choose to live off base. They will in turn pay the allowance to the developer in the form of rent. The rent for privatized homes will be set so that, along with average utility costs, the Airman's allowance will safely cover it, Colonel Griffin said.

"The only way a member might have to pay out of pocket is where utility bills are concerned," he said. "We will have forecasted the average cost of utilities for a particular home and built it into the rent payment. If a member goes into a house and is spending a lot more, or consuming a lot more energy than what we forecast, then there is a possibility (he or she) would have to pay more."

One motive behind privatizing military family housing is the Air Force does not have to pay to maintain the homes or keep them up to standard — the developer does. And because developers enter into 50-year privatization deals with their own money, the best way for them to recoup their investment is to ensure the homes remain attractive to military families, Colonel Griffin said.

"We do not guarantee the property manager a tenant," he said. "It is up to them to (market) their houses alongside any other commercially available house out there to Airmen and their families.'

If a developer is not attracting tenants into housing for other reasons, such as a change in mission at a particular base, Air Force officials will allow them to broaden the pool of potential tenants, Colonel Griffin said.

"The target population for privatized housing is active-duty military members, but that is not the only group allowed to live in those homes," he said. "The Air Force allows developers to rent to other groups through a process called a 'waterfall.' When there is a shortage of active-duty Airmen to rent the homes, developers may fill empty housing units with reservists, Air National Guardsmen, government civilians or military retirees."

Failing that, developers may even rent the homes to civilians, though Colonel Griffin said they would need to pass a security screening.

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Team V witnesses wizardry

By Airman 1st Class Stephen Cadette

eam V turned out to see the Harlem Wizards face off against the Vandenberg Hawks for an evening of entertainment, competition, basketball tricks and barbecue Monday at the fitness center gymnasium.

"It was a great event," said
Master Sgt. Jonathon Scott, 14th
Air Force. "We had it here for the
families of our deployed, to bring
a little entertainment to the base.
It was lots of fun and I think it
turned out great. We had
probably around 450 people."

Before the game, military members and families squeezed into the stands. The only way to hold a conversation was to shout. When the buzzer sounded, the crowd hushed. The heels of the Vandenberg Honor Guardsmen made the only sound as they posted for the National Anthem. After the anthem, Col. Gallegos addressed the audience and welcomed the families of the deployed. Then the smallest members of the Vandenberg Flyers performed for the audience.

The Hawks were first to be introduced to the cheering audience. After their lineup was called, the Wizards made their entrance.

The trademark of the Harlem Wizards is the act they perform during a game, blending tricks, slam dunks, music, microphones and acting to create a show. Each of the Wizards ballplayers plays a unique character, and they all sent the audience into an uproar.

"It was awesome" said

Master Sgt. Muriel Howell, 30th Comptroller Squadron. "The fitness center was packed and there was lots of energy. I'm really excited."

The game ignited with a shower of slam dunks. Three points peppered the play. But things really got hot whenever a foul occurred.

During the downtime when the players are standing around waiting for a foul shot to be taken, the Wizards started mischief that got huge laughs from the audience. Whatever the Wizards said on the court was picked up on personal microphones, broadcasted on the speakers and heard by the audience.

In the first half, one of the Wizards fell after getting fouled, got up and began limping. One of his teammates came over and asked him if he was okay. The limping Wizard replied no. His teammate asked him, what hurts? He responded, my wrist. The audience broke out into laughter.

During another free throw, Sergeant Howell was asked to get into the action.

"The players knew I helped put this together," she said, "so they asked me to come down and help out with the show."

When one of the Wizards was at the free throw line, Sergeant Howell sneaked up behind him, grabbed his shorts and pulled them to his ankles, revealing shiny boxer shorts decorated with hearts and flowers. The audience exploded with delighted screams.

The players had just as much of a good time.

"It was so much fun," said



PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BARRY LOO

Hawks Quincy Hinton taps a ball to the hole over the head of Wizards Eric "Broadway" Jones, during the Wizards vs. Hawks game for deployed families at the fitness center gymnasium Monday.

Hawks Ronald Hill. "It was all for the kids, we had a great time. The Harlem Wizards came out did a great job. It was a good experience, I'm glad to be a part of it"

The Hawks put out a different performance than they were

used to.

"It was different, because every time you play, you play to win, as opposed to playing to put on a show," said Hawks Montae MacFarland. "You put winning to the side so you can put on the show."



DOG WALK

DUATHLON

Noon, Monday, 1.5-mile dog walk starting at the fitness center

BODY ASSESSMENT 8 a m to noon, Wednesday a

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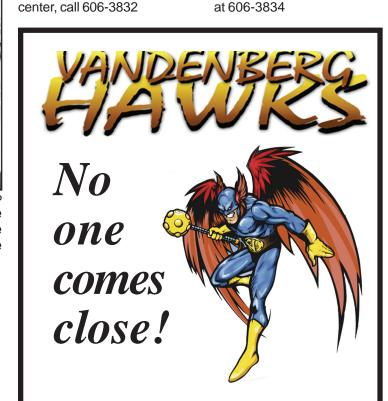
ST. PATRICKS DAY FUN RUN Noon, Thursday, starting at the fitness center

9 a.m. Saturday in the main parking lot at the fitness center. The Duathlon is a run/ bike/run race. Commander Trophy points will be awarded to represented squadrons. Registation and more information is available at the fitness

RACQUETBALL OPEN

April 2, sign up deadline is March 25. First matches will start at 9 a.m. Single player and double elimination will depend on the number of participants. First and second place finishers will receive the championship trophy. All participants will receive t-shirts. Contact Elijah Pope at 606-3834 or Staff Sgt. Reid Percivalle at 606-8105 **DODGEBALL**

Intramural dodgeball is coming June 2005, with sixon-six matches and 15 player teams. Contact your sport representative or Elijah Pope at 606-3834



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Airman 1st Class Barry Loo, 30th Space Communications Squadron prepares his film camera for a shot.

Views are tranquil at Tranquillion Peak

By Airman 1st Class Stephen Cadette

ranquillion Peak is the perfect place for pictures. The highest point in the Vandenberg area offers the most beautiful views of the surrounding hills and the coast.

My friends and I headed there on a day when the hills were carpeted in green after the rain. But would there be rain this day? Would our equipment get soaked in the rain, or fog keep us from getting the shots we needed?

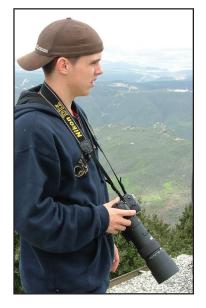
Thankfully, the day was clear. A cover of high, scattered clouds cast dappled shadows over miles of rolling green land. We had a clear view of the sparkling Pacific Ocean.

Twenty-four images from the photoshoot are now stitched together in a panoramic view decorating the 30th Space Communications Squadron conference room.

Our ears popped on our decent from the peak. Behind us, the marine layer shrouded the summit.



The peak is the tallest point in the area.



Airman 1st Class Chad Hawkins, 30th SCS, looks for a shot.



PHOTOS BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS STEPHEN CADETTE

The city of Lompoc is visible from the southeast view at Tranquillion Peak

Community Calendar





Women's History Month Meal – 11 a.m. today at Breakers and Beachcomber dining

facilities \$10,000 Scholarship -

Current students or graduates of Allan Hancock College preparing for a career in investigative law enforcement may be eligible to apply for a \$10,000 scholarship. Call the Allan Hancock College Foundation with questions at 925-2004.

Attention Performers - Do you play an instrument? Are you a singer? Get connected; call the Lompoc POPS Orchestra at

736-9365. Women's History Month -Volunteers all needed to chair the upcoming Women's History Month Observance in March and Asian Pacific-Islander month in May. If interested, call the 30th Space Wing Military Equal

Opportunity office at 606-0370. Red Cross CPR classes – 5:30 to 10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the Lompoc Red Cross Office. 312 N. H St., Lompoc. To register, call 736-5110.

To the families of deployed **Airmen** – Call Suzanne Epperson at 734-6767 to pick up a free yellow "support our deployed

troops" ribbon. PALACE CHASE separatees – people separating from the Air Force through PALACE CHASE need to complete the mandatory pre-separation briefing at least 90 days prior to separation. Call 606-0039 for more information.

Rainbow Girls -The International Order of Rainbow for Girls is looking for new

members. The non-profit youth organization teaches girls leadership, service to the community, patriotism to the country and respect for all people. All interested girls between the ages of 11 and 20 and their parents are invited to visit www.caiorg or e-mail maryann99208@yahoo.com for more information.

Red Cross volunteers - Call Pat Nuth at 605-0042 or e-mail tesee1@juno.com for more information or to sign up.

Animal shelter volunteers -The Lompoc County Animal Shelter needs volunteers for four to six hours per week. Join the Companion Animal Placement Assistance Volunteer Team at the Lompoc County Animal Shelter. Call 737-7754 for membership information.

PAIR program – PAIR is looking for volunteers to read with a child once a week at Crestview Elementary School. For more information, call Julie Hegeman at 734-2549 or e-mail

julsheg@yahoo.com.

Volunteer opportunity – The family support center needs a volunteer to coordinate the base's care package program. The position will oversee collection, packaging and disbursements of donated items to military members serving on extended temporary duty, deployment or remote permanent change of station. Call Sally Galligan at 606-0039 for more information.

Prayer workshop -9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The workshop covers various modes of prayer, focusing on the contemplative. Lunch is provided. Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

Stinky's Bar and Grill -9 p.m. Saturdays. DJ and dancing. 2430 South Broadway, Santa Maria.

Maverick Saloon – Live music weekends. 510 South Broadway St., Santa Maria. Call 922-9002 for more information.

Resume Writing Workshop – 9 to 11 a.m. Monday at the family support center. Learn

about the different types of resumes, do's and don'ts, resources, etc. Register online at www.php-ids.com or call

Military Parents of the Central Coast – 6:30 p.m., the first Monday of each month at United Methodist Church 1515 Fredericks St., San Luis Obispo. Call Janice Somers at 549-9199 for more information.

Wellness and Fitness Expo-6:15 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Pacific Coast Club. The Health and Wellness Center, 30th Medical Group and Fitness Center sponsor the expo for the Vandenberg Spouses Club. For more information and to register call LeighAnn Schoonmaker at 734-1911 by today.

Moms, Pops & Tots – 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Vandenberg Fitness Center Annex. Call 734-2448 or 734-0020 for more information on the playgroup.

Disabled American Veterans – 9 a.m. Tuesdays in the Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building. 108 East Locus St., Lompoc. Rides are available to various appointments. Call Dan Contreras at (310) 477-2539.

Survival skills for parents -9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Thursdays though April 5 in the 30th Medical Group Education Training Room, 2nd floor. The class is focuses on effective parenting skills, managing

parental stress and teaching ageappropriate discipline practices. For more information and to register, call 606-5338.

Manage Your Move **Workshop** – 8:45 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the family support center.

Topics cover legal, housing, finance, TRICARE and family support concerns. Have questions ready and plan to attend 90-120 days prior to departure. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Register for the class at www.php-ids.com or call 606-0039.

Central Coast Chapter of the Society of Military Widows – 1 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month in the Vandenberg Retiree Activities Center. Call 937-6747 for information.

Personal and Family **Readiness Briefing -** 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the family support

center. This mandatory briefing covers the various services and programs in place for the family while the active-duty member is deployed, on remote tour or extended TDY for 30 days or longer. Spouses are welcome to attend. Register for the briefing on-line at www.php-ids.com or call 606-0039.

Scrapbooking - 4 to 5:30 p.m.Thursdays at the Chapel 1 Annex.

Global Hearts Group is having a scrapbooking class for deployed families. Call Tech. Sgt. Sheila White at 606-0039 to register.

Coastal Voices – Today at 7:30 p.m. in the Unity Chapel of Light. 1165 Stubblefield Rd., in Santa Maria. Join Coastal Voices on St. Patrick's Day to listen to new arrangements of old favorite traditional Irish tunes. For information or tickets, call 478-2526.

St. Patrick's Day Lunch – 11 a.m. Thursday at Breakers and Beachcomber dining facilities.

Global Hearts Dinner – The Global Hearts Group invites families of Airmen who are deployed, serving remote or TDY for more than 30 days to dinners at Breakers from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursdays. Call Tech. Sgt. Sheila White at 606-0039 for information.

Tri-City Sound Chorus – Thursday nights at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at St. Andre Methodist Church in Santa Maria. Women of all ages who love to sing are invited to attend. For information call 736-7572.

Home Purchasing and **Financing** - 1:30 to 4 p.m. Mar. 18. The briefing covers the

major Veteran's benefit, VA Home Loan program. Register

online at www.php-ids.com or call 606-0039.

Movie

7 p.m. SAT



PHANTOM OF THE OPERA PG-13

Hi-Way Drive-in

Santa Maria Ph. 937-3515 **ROBOTS PG BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE PG** DAILY 7 p.m.

Movies Lompoc MILLION DOLLAR BABY PG-13 DAILY 4:15 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

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DAILY 4:15 p.m., 7 p.m. FRI 9:30 p.m.

SAT-SUN 1:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

General Admission \$7.50; children and seniors \$5.50; shows before 5:30 p.m. \$5.50. Movies and times subject to change.

Chapel Services & Events

Call 606-5773 for other denomination worship services and events.

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Praise and

Worship*, Chapel 2

10 a.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 1 11:30 a.m. Traditional Protestant*, Chapel 1 11:30 a.m. Gospel*, Chapel 2



Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 2 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month 7 p.m. Jewish Shabbat

Service, Chapel 1. Saturday 5 p.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 2

*Only the traditional service in Chapel 1 will be held on 3-day holiday weekends.

th Services News



Date: March 23 Time: 11am to 3pm **Location: Cocheo Park** Cost: \$2 per person (ages 5 and up) \$5 per family





Peter Rabbit

Have your photo taken

Egg Hunt

3:30 p.m. (promptly) for ages 2-to-8-years-old

• EggHun‡

3 Easter Baskets will be given away (age appropriate,

Please call the Youth Center, 606-2152 to sign up so we'll have enough for all! Enter the Annual IMAGE-MAKERS National Photography Contest!

for Youth Center members 6-to-18-years old Photo entries must be prepared according to contest rules Photo entries must be prepared according to control partial partial and turned in NLT Mar. 18. Prepared with the Youth Center on Many One winner from each age group the Youth Center on Man

category will be sent on For more information on contest rules and standards please pick up a packet at the Youth Center front desk, Mon. through Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a Youth Center members-only contest.

enter your photos!











St Patrick's Day 🕸 🕸

5K FUN RUN







Golf Course Rate Changes